



## **Yearly Report – Awards Committee**

**June 2021 – May 2022**

**Sarah Weninger and Amy Burke, Co-Chairs; Valentina Asiedu – Member of Awards Committee**

### **NDPHA Awards**

*NDPHA Committee Meeting Dates: November 2, 2021, December 22, 2021 and February 11, 2022 (all via Teams)*

The Awards Committee continued using a Qualtrics survey to collect nominations. Nominations were collected from November 23, 2021 through February 1, 2022. A total of eight nominees were submitted for the three awards available. To aid in complete and thorough applications, the awards committee developed a document about tips and tricks for writing a great nomination. The *Nomination Tips and Tricks* document is on the NDPHA webpage. This year the awards committee decided to spend less money on the physical award and purchased plaques from Dakota Woodworkers. The cost savings for the awards allowed for the purchase of gift cards for the recipients. The budget for the three plaques and gift cards was \$300.00.

After review of the nominations, the following were selected as the award winners:

- Public Health Worker of the Year: ***Theresa Schmidt, Bismarck-Burleigh Public Health***
- Public Health Team of the Year: ***NDSU Department of Public Health***
- Outstanding Service Award: ***Julie Ferry, Nelson-Griggs District Health Unit***

Pictures and short biography of these award winners will be posted on the NDPHA website and Facebook page after the annual meeting. In addition to these award winners, the following individuals have years of service to NDPHA awards:

### ***5 Years of NDPHA Membership***

Katie Beyer – City County Health District  
Kelly Buettner-Schmidt – North Dakota State University  
Kerry Due – City County Health District  
Jenny Galbraith – North Dakota Department of Health  
Theresa Schmidt – Bismarck Burleigh Public Health  
Heather Schwehr – City County Health District  
Lindsey VanderBusch – North Dakota Department of Health

### ***10 Years of NDPHA Membership***

Frank Balak – Central Valley Health District  
Andrea Huseth – Zosel – North Dakota State University  
Joyal Meyer – North Dakota Department of Health  
Erin Ourada – Custer Health  
Mark Strand – North Dakota State University  
Mary Woinarowicz – North Dakota Department of Health

### ***15 Years of NDPHA Membership***

Deanna Askew – North Dakota Department of Health

### ***20 Years of NDPHA Membership***

Vonda Bechtel – Custer Health  
Kelly Nagel – North Dakota Department of Health

### ***30 Years of NDPHA Membership***

Brenda Stallman – Traill District Health Unit



### **Nomination Committee**

The following positions will individuals whom term is expiring at the end of the 2022 annual meeting. Listed are the nominees for the positions. Nominees will also be solicited at the June 8, 2022 annual meeting for a membership vote.

#### **Secretary**

Nominee: Mary Lizakowski

#### **Member-At-Large**

Nominee: Kylie Hall

Note: Amy Burke reassigned her position effective June 8, 2022

#### **Nutrition Section Chair**

Nominee: Karen Ehrens

Note: Vote for section chair will occur during section meeting on 6.8.2022

#### **Student Section Chair**

No Current Nominees